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Dear Mr Musgrave

This letter is in response to your FOIA request dated January 29, 2013, that was received by this office on January 31, 2013. It has been assigned case no. 13-0007. The request was for information in reference to Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) information and documents for the Ohio National Guard.

Attached is a copy of all responsive answers to your questions and documents pertaining to UAS.

This concludes the processing of your request. If you have any further questions regarding your request please contact my office at (614)336-7447.

Sincerely,



RICHARD A. COSGRAY  
Chief Warrant Officer Four  
Freedom of Information Act and  
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Enclosures:

- Memorandum of Agreement with Clinton County Port Authority
- Airworthiness Release Memo for Clinton County dated 13 Feb 12
- Wilmington Airport Map
- Certificate of Waiver or Authorization for Camp Ravenna, Newton Falls
- Procedures for operations of the RAVEN for Camp Ravenna
- Airworthiness Release Memo for Camp Ravenna
- Certificate of Waiver or Authorization for Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport
- Memorandum of Agreement with City of Springfield, OH
- Airworthiness Release Memo for Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport dated 29 Nov 11
- Proper Use Memorandum (PUM) Template

The following are responses to your questions/requests that were gathered from various offices within the Ohio National Guard:

1. any requests for proposals, proposals submitted by vendors, contracts, budgets or cost allocations for the purchase, research of and/or use of aerial drones, UAs, UAVs, and UASs (hereinafter "drones");

**Answer: "No Record Found"**

2. any policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on institutional use of drones, including on the legal process required (such as a warrant or court order), if any, before operating a drone;

**Answer: See attached FAA Certificate of Authorization(s) regarding use of Military UAV/UAS by the Ohio Army National Guard in the National Airspace System. All units and assigned operators follow all Army Regulations, Training Manuals and other policy guidance for use of UAS/UAVs, and are qualified to operate the UAV/UAS system in accordance with current Training and Doctrine Army Command qualifications.**

**References: AR 95-23, Army Directive 2012-02, ALARACT 2012/020, FM 3-04.155, TC 1-600 and TC 1-611.**

3. any departmental records concerning this institution's use of and/or research of drones now or plans to use drones in the future including:

**Answer: Additional training airspace will include Camp Ravenna Joint Military Training Center, Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport, OH, and Wilmington Airpark, OH for Military training in support of operational qualification and training requirements per regulation.**

a. the types of investigations or instances in which this department is using or plans to use drones, or how it plans to support, manage or oversee the usage of drones by another department or office;

**Answer: See attached FAA Certificate of Authorization(s) regarding use of Military UAV/UAS by the Ohio Army National Guard in the National Airspace System. All units and assigned operators follow all Army Regulations, Training Manuals and other policy guidance for use of UAS/UAVs, and are qualified to operate the UAV/UAS system in accordance with current Training and Doctrine Army Command qualifications.**

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b. policies, guidelines, manuals and/or instructions on storage requirements

or procedures for video or static images obtained through use of drones, including retention times;

**We have no mission or authority to use UAS's in DSCA operations or to hold images/video for exploitation on US territory. Any images/video collected during training flights are re-recorded over or erased.**

**We maintain Proper Use Memorandums (PUMs) on UAV's for training purposes only...they are FOUO in the areas dealing with sensors and not releasable under FOIA...blank example attached.**

**We do not have a plan to use/seek SECDEF approval to use UAS's outside of Training.**

**"No DoD unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) will be used for DSCA operations, including support to Federal, State, local, and tribal government organizations, unless expressly approved by the Secretary of Defense. Use of armed UAS for DSCA operations is not authorized."**

**From From para 4.0., DODD 3025.18 Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA)**

c. the altitude at which drones can or do fly;

**Answer: see attached FAA Certificate of Authorization(s).**

d. drones' ability to carry weapons.

**Answer: UAV/UAS(s) assigned to the Ohio Army National Guard do not have the capability to be equipped with weapons.**